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Crowded Commons?

Does The Commons satisfy the thousands of SU students that come in each day?



Jonathan Arias Photos

(Top) SU students sit in The Commons, which has become more crowded with a growing campus population. (Bottom) The lines in The Commons for getting food and putting back trays seem to be growing longer this semester.

BY JUSTIN MCCLURE
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It's 12:30 p.m. and after leaving your class that has drudged on, you're finally able to get some food into your grumbling stomach.

Standing in front of the cash registers, it takes what seems like an hour to get through the line. When you're finally in the food court students, staff and faculty dart in and out of food stations, hindering your ability to get your meal in a timely fashion.

Needless to say, if you have a meal plan and attend Commons on a regular basis the crowd can be a huge issue. But is the massive influx of people a credible problem? To anyone facing the "Commons crowd" it is, but SU Associate Director of Dining Services Tony Cerulli thinks otherwise.

"When there is a crowd it takes about 15 minutes for them to clear out," he said. "You can't avoid a crowd, but with our speed of service it makes for a timely experience."

Salisbury Dining Services is a mem-

ber of The National Association of College and University Food Services. The organization sends out various surveys to about 115 colleges and universities across the country, which are then distributed to students and faculty.

954 members of SU responded to the fall 2012 benchmark survey and out of those numbers, 82 percent said they were pleased with Dining Service's speed of service. This is 4 percent more than their NACUFS counterparts that only maintain a 78 percent satisfaction rate.

Other categories included the overall quality of food, taste, value and variety. All in which the university surpassed the majority of their competition anywhere from a 4 percent to 10 percent difference.

The satisfaction of the many people that pass through The Commons each day is attributed to their attention to detail. With recent renovations, the food court has become a prime location at SU.

"All of our food is made from scratch," Cerulli said. "And with the

addition of an 82 item, double sided salad bar, an extra deli line and Plato's Plate people are more apt to eat at Commons — and eat healthier."

There are about 4,000 students each year that have a meal plan, and only 1,700 of those are mandatory meal plans that freshman must enroll in. The rest make up students living off campus or in non-traditional housing where an actual kitchen and cooking essentials are provided. Such a statistic is reflected in the opinions of Commons-goers each day.

Freshman Brandon Lewis talks about how the quality of the food transcends to that of the staff.

"Food services work quickly and are polite to their customers, the food is overall very enjoyable," Lewis said.

Whether or not you have a meal plan there's no denying that Commons has something for everyone.

Renowned for its good food and impeccable service, Cerulli discusses the vision of dining services.

"Nationally, we're a top five program," Cerulli said. "And we aim to keep it that way."



Students rethink security, gun control laws after Navy Yard shooting

BY SHANNON WILEY
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After a Military subcontractor opened fire at the Washington Navy Yard in D.C., killing 12 and injuring eight, some Salisbury University students feel now is the time for higher security standards and stricter law enforcement related to gun control.

Alexis was found with three weapons on his person: an AR-15 assault rifle, a shotgun bought the day before and a semiautomatic pistol.

SU Freshman Cheyenne Powell said it was "depressing." It was also "unfortunate and saddening" said sophomore Isaac Guzman.

After the tragedy there is still much recoil. The public is asking questions about the possible necessity of reevaluating security measures at government facilities and military bases and what this will mean for the battle over gun control.

"They should reevaluate their security because it's better to be safe than sorry," sophomore Ryan Figue said. "Just because someone has a security clearance doesn't mean they shouldn't get checked."

SU students think that tighter security measures must come quickly.

"They need to take a closer look at the people they are giving clearances to," Powell said.

"They should definitely reform their security," senior Mike Schiavone said. "Anyone that's hearing voices shouldn't be allowed in."

However, Yahoo News reports that lawmakers are more willing to tackle this topic then they are to really make a move for gun control. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid commented, "We don't have the votes. I hope to get them, but we don't have them now."

Yahoo News also reported that, "frustrated gun control advocates" are asking "if the Christmastime massacre of 20 schoolchildren in Newtown, Conn., last year couldn't spur action on modest steps to combat gun violence, what chance does the killing of a dozen adults have?"

SU students seem to feel differently.

"Now there should be a bigger push, to make sure this never happens again," Guzman said.

Given that there have been over 10 mass shootings in the past 15 months, Freshman Rachel Stadler said, "I think there will be a bigger push now because of how many there have been."

"I think the (Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives) is not doing its job," junior Alex Wolteis said. "And the businesses that support the ATF are not pushing enough because there are only things being done at the state level."

Freshman Alison Leahy said what many students are perhaps thinking to themselves whenever something like this happens, "How much more has to happen before we actually do something with gun control?"

SU students share mixed feelings over iOS7

BY JACOB TROXELL
News Editor

Apple released their newest software update for iPhone and iPad users on Wednesday, which included changes that Salisbury University students have shared different opinions on.

Some of these changes include the new iTunes radio feature, changes to the notification center, a new design, added control center, the new airdrop feature, improved multitasking and photo and camera improvements.

While this update is also available for iPads, the iPhone is one of the most popular phones in America, especially among college students.

According to a survey on CBS' News website, 56 percent of American adults have smartphones, with a quarter of them owning an Apple iPhone. Behind them is the android at 18 percent, Blackberry at 4 percent and Windows at 1 percent. It is no secret that iPhones are prevalent amongst college students in today's world.

Many SU students are a part of the iPhone community, and have shared mixed feelings on the new update which has revamped their phones.

"The only real thing I think that is different is how you close out

apps," junior Jay Carpenter said on the new multitasking page that can be accessed by double-tapping the home button. "It (iOS7) is the same thing but it looks better."

Another change students found intriguing is the new design, which includes different fonts, colors and appearances in apps, on the lock screen and home page. The new scheme is something every iPhone user has an opinion on.

"I don't like it, it looks like an Android phone," sophomore Sarah Colgan said. "I'll have to get used to it."

While some students do not like it, there are also iPhone users with exact opposite opinions.

"I like it, it's a lot different," sophomore Ryan Taylor said. "The layout and everything looks a lot sharper."

Whether students are enjoying the new features, or adapting and adjusting to the new look, one feature that has remained the same is iMessage. This instant messaging system, which is much faster than regular text messaging, has been one of the signature features of Apple's iPhone for years.

Some students have reported the new update has caused problems with their iMessage and instead their phone has only been sending regular text messages.

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"Some of my friends I know have iMessage on but when I text them it says 'text message,'" Carpenter said. "My iMessage still won't work." Colgan said after downloading the new software update. According to Apple's website, it may take up to 24 hours to activate iMessage and FaceTime, so some patience is asked for those who are yet to download the update when waiting for their iMessage to activate.

Recently Apple also released the new iPhone 5s and 5c. The iPhone 5c has the same features as the iPhone 5 but is now in different colors, while the iPhone 5s has new features such as a fingerprint identity sensor, all-new chip and an all-new coprocessor to improve battery life, and according to the Apple website it is "two times faster than the previous generation in both CPU and graphics performance."

SU celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

BY ALEXANDRA DOUGAN
Staff writer

At Salisbury University, the Hispanic population is the third largest ethnicity of students around campus and is growing each year, along with Hispanic Heritage Month.

Not only has Hispanic Heritage Month grown every year, America as a whole has a chance to celebrate the importance of this culture. People around the country take advantage of this distinct period and show their appreciation for the Hispanic people and all they've done throughout history.

More specifically, SU takes advantage of this opportunity to celebrate the Hispanic population around campus and holds special events most directly in their honor. Many of these events are meant to emphasize Latin America and to teach more about the way they live.

"Celebrating diversity through events such as Hispanic Heritage Month is very important to the SU community," said SU Vice President, Dane Foust. "Not only does it show support and respect for people who bring so many valuable contributions to our campus, but it also creates an overall campus environment that embraces differences and supports freedom of thought and expression."

The Cultural Affairs Director, June Krell-Salgado is thrilled about the upcoming events she and many others have taken the time to plan.

"Hispanic Heritage Month runs from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 and that's because in Latin America, different countries have different celebrations and holidays," Krell-Salgado said.

The Cultural Affairs Department has made tedious efforts to create a stream of events that coincide with each other leading up to the biggest event of the month, the Spanish Harlem Orchestra. The Orchestra will play on Thursday, Oct. 10 in the Holloway Hall auditorium at 7 p.m.

"The big thing we are doing this year is called the Spanish Harlem Orchestra, it is a celebration of Latin salsa music. This talented group plays their music with a lot of congos and a lot of horns," Krell-Salgado said.

The Spanish Harlem Orchestra is also a multi-Grammy and Billboard

Latin Music award winning group that has established itself as one of the most formidable Latin jazz ensembles in this day in age. It's a group consisting of 13 members and is led by musician Oscar Hernandez.

"The majority of what they're playing is salsa. Most people think that salsa came from Latin America but it didn't. It was actually created by the immigrants of New York City," Krell-Salgado said.

"People can really understand that it was the 'New York Ricans', the Puerto Ricans and other Latinos in New York who created Salsa using rhythms in the new country," Krell-Salgado said. "That tells you where this new salsa comes from."

In addition to this musical production, the cultural events office has planned several other events for the campus community.

"We always try and do something interactive on the lawn," Krell-Salgado said.

Starting Sept. 23 in the front of Holloway Hall, professional salsa instructors will teach dance classes for beginners, at 5 p.m. every Monday until Oct. 14.

Krell-Salgado also partners up with the International Dinner Services and together they've planned a meal the night of the concert. It will emphasize the Latin culture and serve related foods. The Hispanic Heritage Dinner and will be held on Oct. 10 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. in The Commons. The two will be held in conjunction with each other and Cultural Affairs encourages students to take part in this to get the full experience.

Cultural Affairs has ultimately given the campus community an around-the-world Hispanic experience right here at home, not only by learning about it but by truly getting to indulge in the culture in every sense.

"What's great about the events this year is that students can go to the screening and learn about salsa, go to the classes out on the lawn and truly learn how to salsa through actually doing it, go to dinner and then people can dance in the orchestra pit at the concert and show off what they've learned," Krell-Salgado said. "It all ties in together."

Even less parking spots

A previously vacant parking lot will soon belong to Planet Fitness, leaving students who used to park there for free in search of an alternative



Jordan Pelavin Photo

The parking lot outside of the abandoned Super Fresh will soon belong to Planet Fitness, and those who park there illegally will soon be seeing tickets on their windshields.

BY JORDAN PELAVIN
Staff writer

The old Super Fresh in Salisbury is being converted to a Planet Fitness, which means its previously vacant parking lot will be in business, leaving students on their way to class who used to park there for free without an alternative.

Many students have been using the lot of the former grocery store as a convenient place to park. It's close to campus, there is plenty of room and it comes without the hassle or the cost of purchasing a Salisbury University parking pass.

After leaving class many walk to dorms, others head to the Perdue parking lot, but some head across the street to the lot of what used to be a Super Fresh grocery store.

The Planet Fitness is slated to open in late October or early November, meaning those students are running out of time to find another option.

Blakeley Sears is one of the SU students who parks in the lot when she goes to class. She enjoys the lot's

convenience.

"I don't have a parking pass," Blakeley said.

"Where are we supposed to park? There isn't enough parking for everyone," - SU staff member, Laura Hemp

She lives off campus, far enough away that walking isn't an option. She finds the parking pass to be too expensive.

"I can't afford it," Blakeley said.

Many students are worried that when the Planet Fitness opens they won't be able to park in the lot any more. Staff at the temporary office for the Salisbury Planet Fitness refused to answer any questions about the parking situation, asking that all questions be sent to the corporate office for Planet Fitness. The Planet Fitness corporate office could not

be reached for comment.

Many students fear that the lot will be closed to those looking to park there. The idea of not being able to park in the lot is distressing to students and to staff as well. Laura Hemp, a staff member at Salisbury University, is worried about the amount of parking on campus.

"Where are we supposed to park? There isn't enough parking for everyone," Hemp said.

Students are nervous about not finding space to park close to the buildings they need to reach. Salisbury has many more students who drive resulting in the need for parking spots on campus. Having no campus parking that is still convenient helps eliminate some of the worry for many students, but soon these spaces could be off limits as well.

Though students are still unsure about the future of the lot, they plan to take advantage of it for now. More than 30 cars with Salisbury bumper stickers could be found in the lot during one afternoon.

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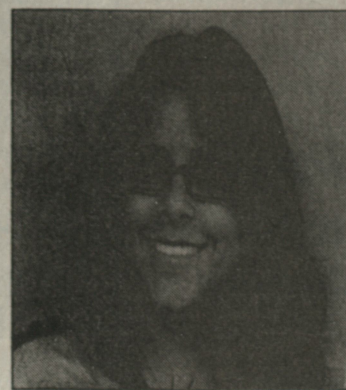
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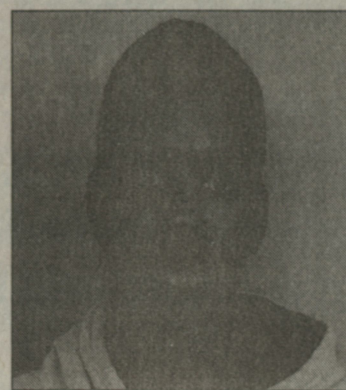
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Overheard: What do you think about Miley Cyrus' 'Wrecking Ball' video?



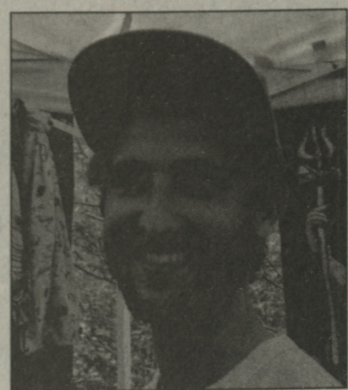
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-Leilani Alica-Rivera, junior



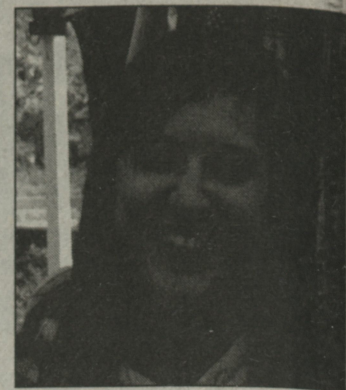
"I think that she is giving herself a bad image."
-Stape Marshall, sophomore



"The song was good but it could have gone without the video."
-Madeline Clarke, junior



"I hate our culture."
-Chris Foreman, junior



"I think it's gross because she is our age."
-Lauren Boyd, junior

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Unitarian Universalism for the college student's soul



BY LOUISA LAMB
Staff Writer

Some people experience a time in their lives where questions appear intensely and sporadically, like a dormant disease which awakens and seems to contaminate all parts, so much that they begin to question the worth of its cause.

College can be a confusing time for many, where it seems the goal is to be introduced to unanswerable questions, only to find the answer is infinite. Many students eventually find themselves stunted during the sometimes tedious and repetitive cycle of academia with a daunting thought: "What am I going to do once I graduate?"

The way the mind works is both mysterious and fascinating, how it has the ability to manifest a simple question into a more complex question, creating a stimulus for provoking the existential vacuum. It's not unheard of for college students to ignore assignments in order to engage in distracting and immediately reinforcing activities, because the balance of work and play in college is what makes it fun—the way balance is essential for any function. When it seems a difficult situation is added to a growing pile, it's easy to be sucked into beds and bottles.

While college is a wonderful time to develop one's sense of goals, career-track, and self-identity, it also provides any student with an overwhelming amount of information, possibility of failure and reality. Everyone has different coping mechanisms but I noticed mine weren't contributing to my personal growth.

One of the seven principles of Unitarian Universalism is respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part...Too often the nourishment of the mind and spirit are neglected.

I'd heard of Unitarian Universalism, but I felt no need to enter a place of worship. I still cringe at the words "worship" "savior" "prayer" "our lord" and "mes-

siah". Last November, I walked into the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Salisbury with my best friend Jaynelle Ross, and we were so surprised by how "laid back" the community was.

"We're sinners but we don't believe in sin," I heard someone say, and it was nice to be in an environment where everyone was grateful of life without being judgmental of one another.

The most appealing thing I found within the UU was the humanitarian effort and social justice involved with the congregation, where people emphasize the importance of using one another as resources to make the world a better place—not the will of god. One of the seven principles of Unitarian Universalism is respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part. When Americans think of well-being, financial security and physical health are usually the first to come to mind. Too often, the nourishment of the mind and spirit are neglected.

Whatever this consciousness we endure, every person has a right to a peaceful life. With the principle of Unitarian Universalism in mind—I reflect on this idea that the world seems so big and full of possibility that all the unnecessary added stresses of life seem to dissipate. Salisbury University and the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Salisbury are working together in an attempt to create a Campus Ministry, a place to serve as a Spiritual Alternative to church where people are not condemned for asking the big questions.

'I'm Shmacked' at SU

"I'm Shmacked," an organization that films students partying, visited SU, much to the dismay of school officials



BY PETE HICKS
Editor-in-Chief

At 4:45 p.m. on Sept. 20 students at Salisbury University received a letter from Vice President of Student Affairs Dane Foust and SU Chief of Police Edwin Lashey concerning being video taped doing "unflattering" things on camera, at school. To many students this email seemed to be a random and unnecessary reminder of things that we all know, don't record yourself doing stupid things. But there was something

that prompted this warning. I'm Shmacked.

On the night of Thursday, Sept. 19, the founder of I'm Shmacked, an organization that travels to college campuses around the country to film students partying, tweeted that he was in Salisbury for the night and wanted to be shown around.

The student code of conduct. A sobering warning to those who thought they were finally getting their 15 minutes of fame.

Now all of the tweets concerning SU have been deleted from the founder's twitter account and the future of I'm Shmacked on our campus seems to be an unlikely possibility.

While this may seem dissappointing, it is probably for the best. SUPD and the campus administration would not hesitate to crack down on students who were putting the university under an "unflattering" spotlight. And the last thing any of us need is to lose future job opportunities because someone saw us playing beer pong on the Internet.

SU needs to give up its 15 minutes of fame in order to secure a lifetime of stable employment for its students in these unstable economic times.

On-campus jobs vs. off-campus jobs: Which job should I take?



BY MICHAEL FLACK
Staff Writer

If any of you are like me, or for that matter most college students, you're broke. If you're not anything like me, then you're not a lazy piece of garbage and have a job or are at least searching for one.

When looking for a job, one always wonders whether to go on or off campus for it. There are pros and cons to both. I hope to make your transition into the working world a bit easier. I say a "bit" because, let's be honest, working sucks.

Let's start with on-campus jobs. On-campus jobs can be better in a sense because you will have to work way less hours, which are tailored around your schedule, leaving time for studying and any extracurricular activities which may take place on weekend nights. It would be nice to make a little money and if your parents are anything like mine it'll keep them off your back for now.

Now let's say you work this job and have time for these activities. But the real question is, how can one afford to participate in all these extracurricular activities? You can't afford to because you only clocked in like 8 hours of work the entire week. To put this in layman's terms, on-campus jobs are less time consuming but do not honestly give you enough money to spend.

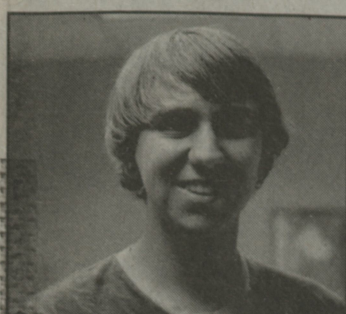
Now to off-campus jobs, where people make the big bucks...or bigger bucks by comparison because let's be honest, working off campus will probably only be a little more than minimum wage at best. But odds are you'll make a little more than you would on campus plus you'll clock work more hours, probably right around 30 a week.

Working off campus can bring in serious cash, usually almost 250-300 a week. If you're in dire need of funds, my advice: work off campus.

Now working off campus isn't all sunshine and rainbows. If you work off campus you will probably be putting in about 30 hours a week. I don't know about everyone, but if you work 30 hours a week in addition to a full-time course load there isn't much time for activities. Plus there is always that chance that you will have an evil boss who you will make your life miserable.

With all of this being said, my advice to you is not to work unless you really have to. School should come first in my opinion. Now I may be the laziest person around so take that with a grain of salt, but I say enjoy college while you can. It'll be over before you know it.

Pope Francis seeks a new direction for the Catholic Church



BY STEVEN CENNAME
Editorial Editor

Ever since the election of Pope Francis I, progressive Catholics around the world have been optimistic about the new direction that the church has been moving.

Since his election, Pope Francis has tried to shift the focus of the papacy from that of his predecessor, Pope Benedict XVI.

"We cannot insist only on issues related to abortion, gay marriage and the use of contraceptive methods," Pope Francis said. "This is not possible."

The Pope is saying that the church has focused too much on divisive political issues and not enough on its social justice roots, like helping the poor. He feels that the church has become too obsessed with fighting gay marriage and abortion that it has strayed away from the central aspect of Jesus' teachings, helping those least among us. The Pope wants to

see more Catholics who volunteer at soup kitchens and homeless shelters more often than they protest outside abortion clinics.

This is a very good sign from the church leadership because the years of Benedict XVI steered the church in a political direction, getting involved in issues like fighting against Maryland's Question 6 and other gay marriage initiatives last year. It was involvement in campaigns like these that turned off many young Americans from the church.

Towards the end of Benedict's term, the Vatican criticized American nuns for focusing too much on helping the poor and marginalized instead of fighting abortion and gay marriage.

This indictment drew a great backlash from American Catholics and non-Catholics and was a public relations nightmare for the Catholic Church. Pope Francis wants to make sure something that ridiculous never happens again.

Although Pope Francis has not changed the doctrine of the church (and nobody expected him to), his encouragement of a shift of priorities from hot button issues to issues of God's mercy will be exactly what the church needs to improve its public ministry.

Majors uncovered: Social Work



BY AJIA ALLEN
Staff Writer

More than 240 undergraduate students and 200 graduate students at Salisbury University are social work majors and the department has plans to expand into Europe this year.

Social work can be considered one of the toughest career areas to pursue because of the constant test of judgment, self-control and emotional restraint of the professional involved. Not to mention the level of confidentiality at the root of all cases.

"Social work is a profession that you can have one degree and do lots and lots of things," said Department chair Deborah Mathews. "But it is a challenge."

Social workers have to prepare themselves to meet with some of the saddest familial situations without personally intervening.

"You're working with people who are wounded in some way. They're hurt by their families, hurt by the world in which they live,

they're hurt by poverty or hurt by illness," she said.

Before acceptance into the program, of course, there are specific classes geared toward research and a better understanding of worker-client needs.

"In our classes we openly discuss the problems with burnout and compassion fatigue," Professor Victoria Venable said. "We also heavily emphasize the importance of self-care and regular supervision."

Preparation for becoming acquainted with real-world scenarios involves a rigorous application and review process by an admission committee after the student has completed most core courses, said Mathews. Students spend 16 hours a week at their assigned sites during their junior and senior years for the program.

Legal, academic or interpersonal shortcomings can hinder students from gaining access into the program. But apart from any setbacks is the personal mental preparation done by students in and out of their courses.

"All the classes really prepare you for the real world," said social work student Chelsea Hicks.

Passion for helping leads people to being a professional in this line of work but when that decision is made, it'd better come along with a tough skin. Students gain a glimpse

of the "challenge" once thrown into field sites.

Senior Brittany Duckworth, claimed this major so she could help people and work with mistreated children and women victimized by domestic abuse.

"Social work allows me to do all of that," she said.

One of the biggest issues social workers face is being emotionally drained after continuous cases from caring too much or becoming completely detached from everything remotely concerning. The latter means they're of no use to anyone in need of legal intervention.

Social work is all about introspection for the professional.

"I know that I can't let my emotions get ahead of me," said junior and social work student Mahdi Rover. "As long as I'm helping I know that I can't get too emotional about it."

Mathews offered sound advice to graduating undergrad students with the related degree.

"They need to get a good professional mentor because social workers, we're human beings," she said.

"When you see children that are beaten or harmed it can really be painful. We all often come to our profession because we're driven by personal passion and some of the things that we deal with can really be personally challenging."

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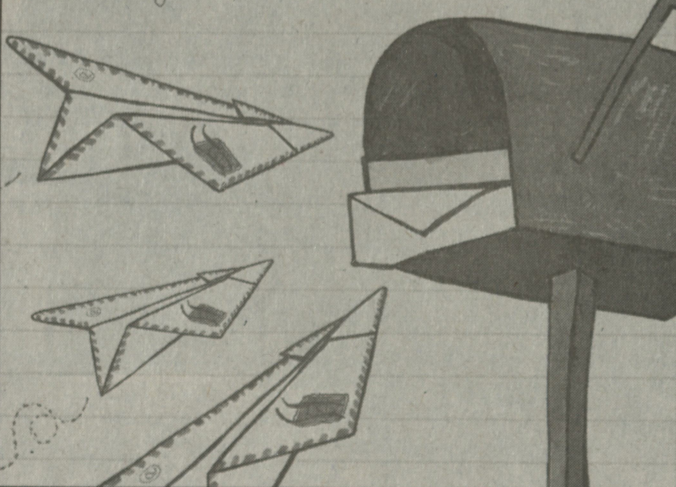
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Pool tournament is a 'hit'

BY TERRANCE PAYNE
Photo Editor

Salisbury University students faced off in a Fireside pool tournament Sept. 12 in a match of luck and skill. Flyer photo editor Terrance Payne signed up for the challenge and shares advice for future participants.

6:30 p.m.: After signing up, players begin to warm up and level each other out. There are 14 players this time, which is nearly double the typical eight. There are a maximum of 16 players.

"This is the most I've ever seen," junior Bobby Spencer said. "We've never had this close to a full bracket before."

7 p.m.: The tournament kicks off with one-on-one matches between new faces and old rivals.

Tom Flynn is ecstatic when he finds out when his match is, or more importantly, who he isn't going to be playing.

For the past year Flynn has always played Miguel Bolano, last year's champion, and has always been knocked out. With the new semester and twice as many participants, fate finally decided to give him a break.

7:30 p.m.: A little past seven thirty, seven contestants are eliminated. Angela Schoenborn finished well in the first match, but has a trouble in her second.

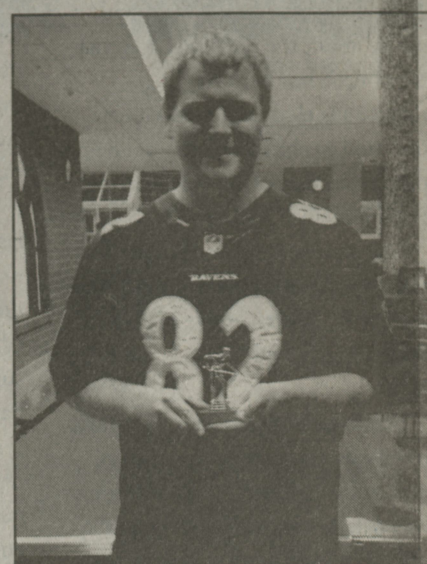
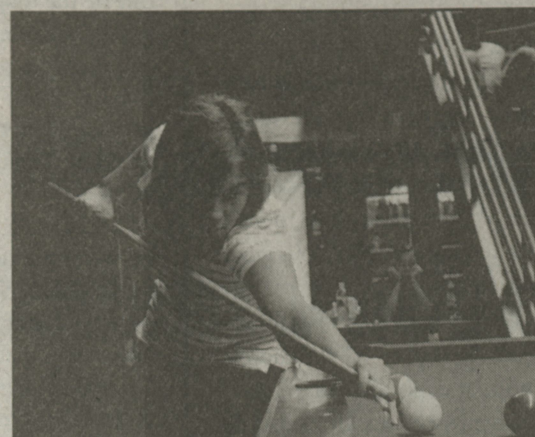
I'm playing against Brian Kilcoyne. The game is close at the end, but I shoot my last too hard and jar the pocket. Kilcoyne manages to shoot his last solid in and cuts the eight down the rail. Kilcoyne builds suspense, aiming for roughly two minutes. The other two matches end almost as quickly as they started with SU junior Mark Jackson and Bolano both taking the win. They then face off in the finals.

8 p.m.: Jackson and Bolano are both past champions. They seem equally matched, both setting up for the next shot and cutting hard angles. However there had to be a winner, and it just so happens this night Jackson sinks all of his and the eight first.

The next pool tournament will be held Oct. 7 at 7 p.m. If last week was any indicator, the competition will be tough. If you are going to sign up, I suggest you start practicing now. Remember: soft shots go a long way.



Jenna Brown photos
GUC Events organized the first "Pool Tournament" in Fireside. Tom Flynn (top) Angela Schoenborn (left) Mark Jackson - Winner (right)



Tibetan Monks perform mandala ceremony

BY RACHEL TAYLOR
Staff Writer

A group of monks gently place and layer multicolored sand, working silently in a circle motion with precision and without flaw.

The only sound comes from the grating of the metal distributors and the sticks which let of this vibration that if could be felt running through your body.

Eleven monks from the famed Drepung Loseling Monastery visited Salisbury University last week to create a mandala. In Sanskrit, mandala means "world in harmony" and is a tool used for meditation.

Freshman Deschaune Bellamy said he was amazed by the monks' patience and precision.

"I honored their creativity and relationship with each other," Bellamy said. "I enjoyed every second of how they gently placed the sand along the outline and how they created a piece of art with sand rather than paint."

This cultural event was endorsed by His Holiness the Dalai Lama to spread and promote healing and world peace.

The four-day process of creating the mandala began with the opening ceremony at noon on Wednesday. The monks consecrated the site of the mandala by chanting, playing traditional music and performing the mantra recitation.

Next, the drawing of the lines began. For about three hours, the monks drew the outline of the mandala in chalk on the 5 foot by 5 foot wooden table.

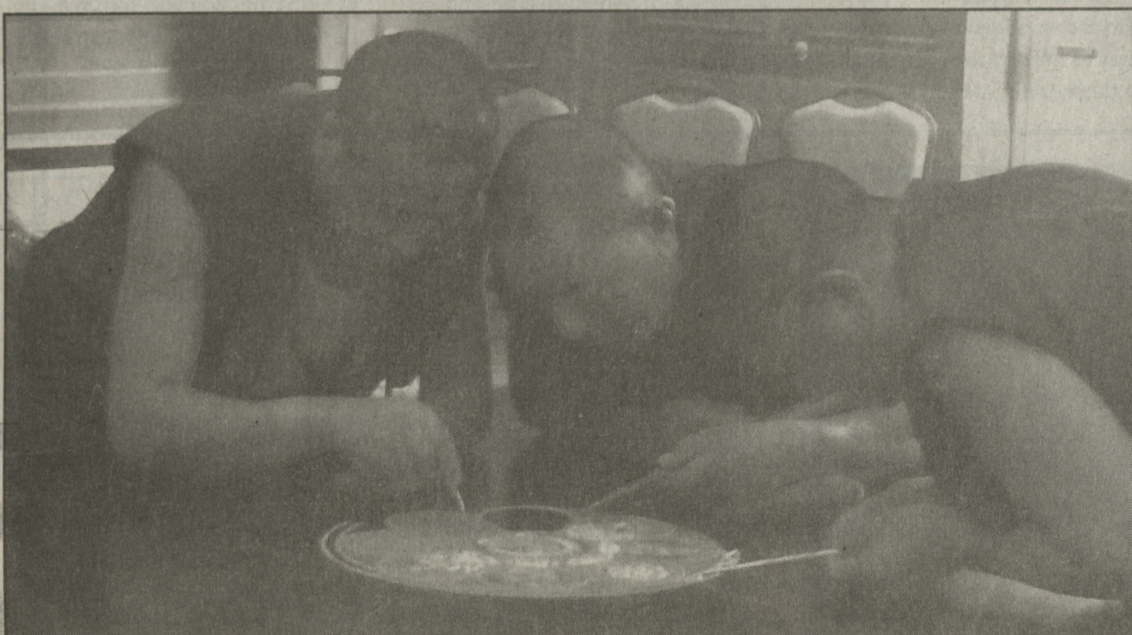
For the next five days, the monks worked for hours at a time creating the mandala with various colors of sand. The sand is poured from traditional metal funnels called "chak-pur." During the process, millions of grains were poured.

Freshman and Buddhist Corrine Harley said she had heard of the monks' sand pictures, but seeing it in person was a moving experience.

"Seeing for myself the monks and the creation of the radiant mandala was a beautiful experience," Harley said. "The room that held the mandala was full of positive energy from the monks and the viewers and watching how diligently the monks worked was completely riveting."

This is the fifth year that SU was given the opportunity to experience this event. The mandala was swept away on Sunday afternoon as a symbol of impermanence in life.

Half of the sand was distributed to the audience and the other half was dumped into the river to disperse the healing energies of the mandala throughout the world.

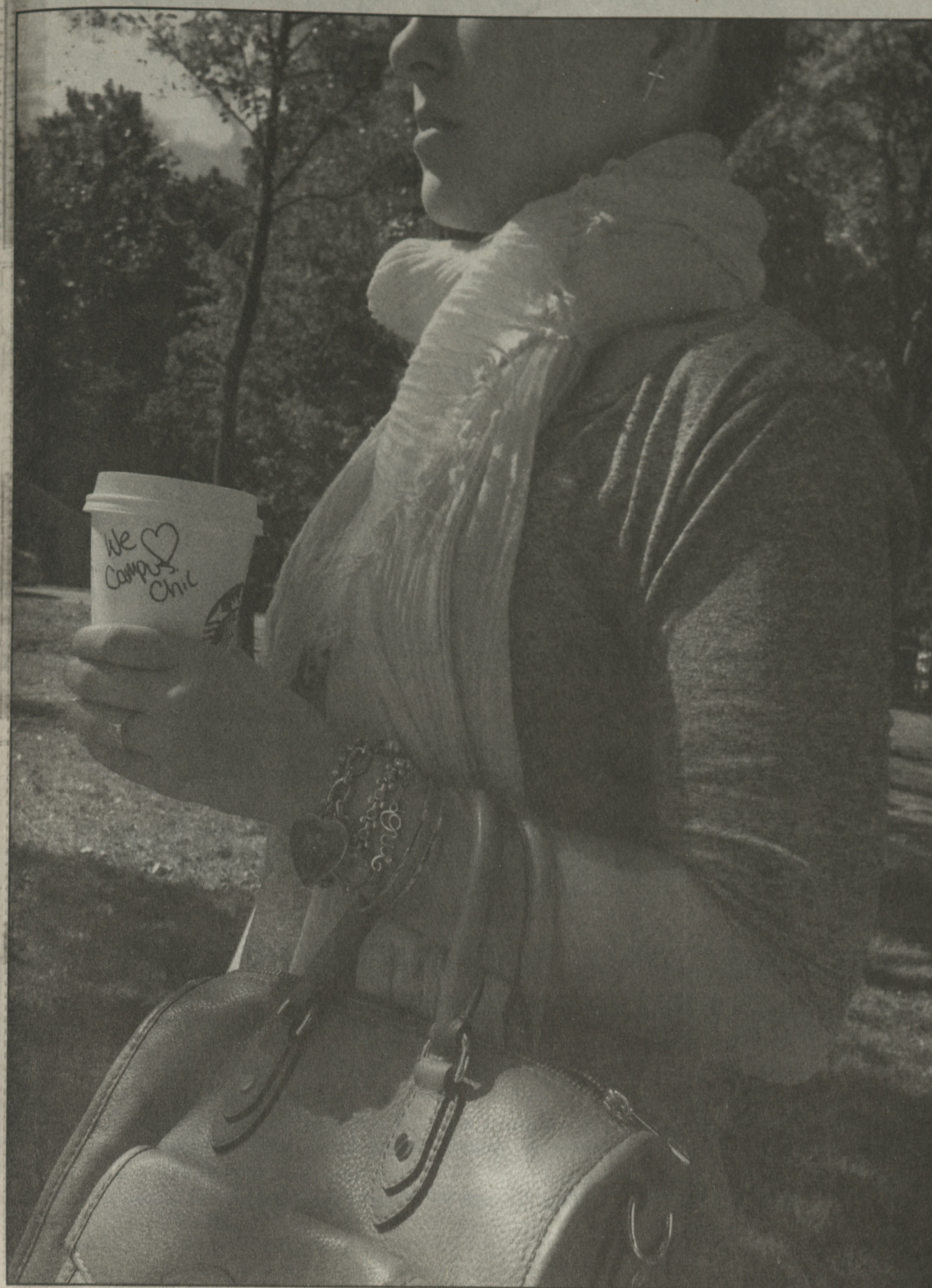


Rachel Taylor and Morgan Hungerford photos
(Top) The monks carefully move sand to create the mandala.
(Middle) People gather to see the mandala's intricate patterns.
(Bottom left) The mandala creation is a complex four-day process.
(Bottom right) The monks began the process of creating a mandala with a traditional opening ceremony.



CAMPUS CHIC

Accessories: It's All in The Details



Kara Kinnamon photo

Charm bracelets, an oversized purse and a scarf are accessories that can add personality to any outfit.

BY KARA KINNAMON
Fashion Columnist

One of the most important yet overlooked aspects of a wardrobe is its accessories. These small touches can completely transform a look no matter the original intention.

An accessory can really include anything that contributes completeness and attractiveness to an outfit. These possibilities range from a pair of earrings to an iPhone case to a hot guy on your arm.

But for the sake of my expertise and time, we'll stick to the more obtainable options.

For the fall 2013 season, there isn't any real constant theme among all categories of accessories. But each item has its own pattern.

In the shoe department, we are seeing several different trends.

For flats, there is a prominent menswear inspiration materializing in the form of loafers and slippers. Not to worry though; these stylish flats are still feminine with a masculine twist. My favorite is the leopard print "smoking slippers" that look great in a library-day outfit paired with leggings and an oversized cream sweater.

Boots this season are being worn at all heights. From booties to thigh-highs, there are styles to match any taste and occasion. The most popular look in boots is black midways with gold metal embellishments.

"My motto is to go wild on the accessories - the belts, the hair clips, the jewelry."
- Heidi Klum

As well as shoes, jewelry is undergoing a massive rebel/punk phase as well. If your jewelry is black, gold, chunky, chain, large or beaded you're good to go. Gaudy statement pieces are really big right now, literally. Short yet chunky chains for necklaces and bracelets are being paired with really simple outfits to add a subtle edgy feel. There has been somewhat of a shift in the bag department. Clutches have taken a back seat to medium sized structured bags this

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season. The vibe is a more casual and classy one, though still adding that rebel edge with spikes and leather. Clutches are still surfacing but they are larger and lean, more towards the portfolio style.

Belts are fairly simple this season staying simple, modern and sleek.

Headwear has brought on some new trends like floppy fedoras, street toboggans and head wraps/scarves. When choosing one of these trends to embrace, consider your everyday style and what works best for you as far as wardrobe cohesion and convenience.

Scarves haven't changed too much. It's better to stick with a more serious look when choosing a scarf whether it is a sensible color or classic print. Candy colored chevron scarves are more of a frivolous last season affair. To change up your look with scarves, discover a new way to wear it.

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Homecoming parade inspires school spirit

BY AJIA ALLEN
Staff Writer

Homecoming 2013 has bigger expectations than previous years as Student Government Association Senator Khellia Okunor Osei brings her vision of decorated floats and heightened school spirit to life.

Just two weeks shy of homecoming, the Oct. 7-13 events are set to take off soon for faculty, students and alumni. SGA recently announced its partnered efforts with Okunor Osei to revamp a homecoming tradition by scheduling an organized parade as a precursor to the football game and tailgating block party.

"Last homecoming there was something missing," she said. "It was a lot of fun, I loved the pep rally and all the school spirit but I felt there needed to be something more."

The large scale parade will begin all-day events on Saturday, Oct. 12 at 10 a.m. The organization with the best float design will win a \$200 donation going towards their float and will head the procession on the one mile route beginning at Avery parking lot and circling around Sea Gull Stadium back to the start point.

Only 10 floats and other luxury, decorative vehicles entered by registered student organizations and

Greeks will be seen in the parade for showcase, with other organizations following on foot.

"We don't want to discourage people," SGA President Katherine Mooney, "If it's a group that we feel is trying to get recognized and we thought they'd be good for campus and supporting school spirit, I think that'd be great."

School groups that have not met their RSO status requirements are not able to participate in the float design competition but are still encouraged to be walking organizations following the floats to show their school spirit.

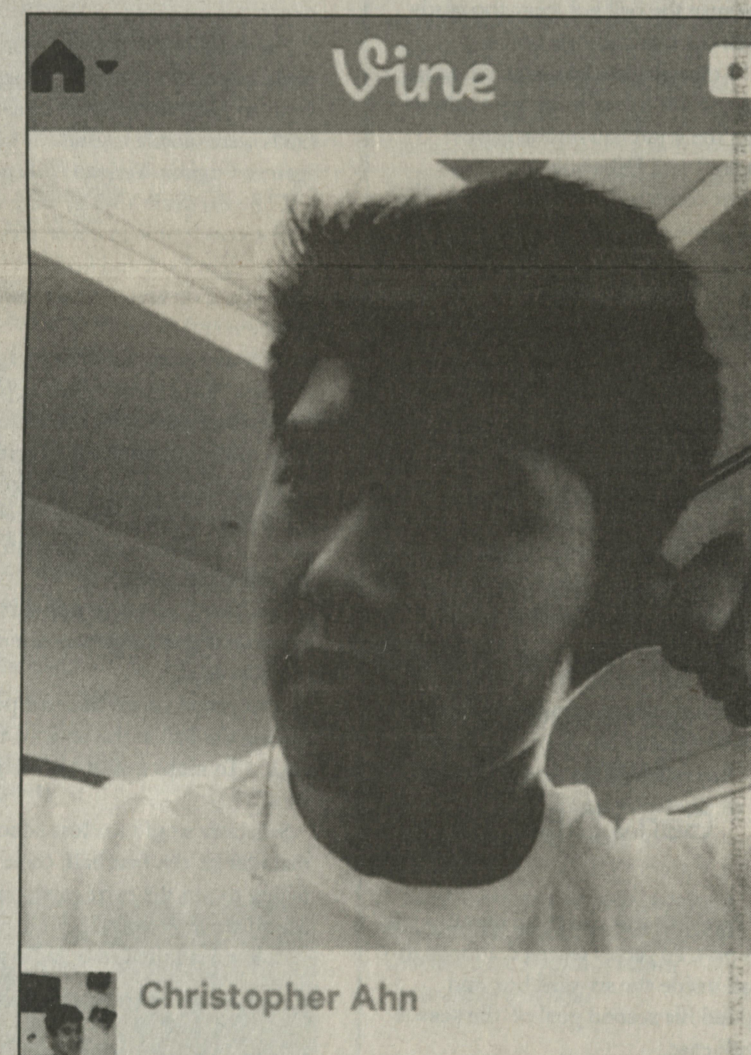
"We want as many groups involved as possible and we don't want them to not come if they're not recognized," Mooney said. "A huge part of who will be supporting is community."

Salisbury police and University Police will monitor the event for safety precaution. Roadways lining the parade route will be blocked off during the time of the procession.

Dream Team President James Port, who is making efforts to receive recognition as an RSO, said the parade will benefit those who participate.

"A parade gets the word out there and informs people of the RSOs and groups on campus, so I think it's a good idea," he said.

Vine Time



Vine photo

SU students are following the new "Vines" video trend across campus.

BY IMOLEAYO ALABI
Staff Writer

It's 9:30 p.m., and you have a big history paper due tomorrow worth 20 percent of your grade. Microsoft Word is open on your computer, and you are ready to begin a grueling five hours of unorganized writing.

But before you start, you need some motivation. What about a funny video clip? You say to yourself, "I'll just watch like one or two of these extremely short clips of people doing and saying random things, and then I'll begin this paper that my history grade depends on."

Before you know it it's already midnight, and all you've written on the paper is your name. Don't feel bad; you are just another victim of the highly addicting, yet fascinating social media app that has captured the attention of so many students like yourself.

Vine, the latest social media craze, is a compilation of videos that provide six seconds of sheer comedic brilliance and utter randomness, created by people of all ages. Vine is one of the most trending social media apps in the world, and as of Sept. 1 there are approximately 40 million registered users, according to a report of Twitter's monthly statistical up-

dates. The report also states that every five tweets per second contain a Vine link.

SU junior Chris Ahn likes making his own Vines because they allow him to show his creativity. "I like making Vines because with a creative, comical mind, making short clips that keep replaying are funny to see when the final product is complete," Ahn said.

With so much stress and pressure that college students face on a daily basis, an app like Vine is a great way to kick back and relax. However, using Vine might not be such a good idea if you still have to type up that a paper due the next day.

Another reason why Vine is such a trending application is because of how different it is from the other video sharing apps. With Vine, users only have six seconds to make viewers laugh, SU sophomore Gunther Bradshaw said. "I like using Vine because it lets me be creative with video and audio recording it allows me to do whatever I want with the only constraint being the length of the video file," Bradshaw said.

So keep making Vines and enjoy the fad while it lasts. Who knows what new app is going to be trending tomorrow?

Men's soccer edges Catholic with late goal from Aryeetey

BY MITCHELL NORTHAM
Staff Writer

The No. 16 ranked Salisbury University men's soccer team achieved a 1-0 win over Catholic University of America on Saturday after junior forward Benjamin Aryeetey put the ball in the back of the net with just under six minutes remaining in regulation.

The tale of the tape prior to this match reads that the Sea Gulls (6-2) have beaten the Cardinals (4-3-1) in 17 out of their last 18 meetings; a streak dating back to 1991. This time around, the Cardinals posed a formidable threat with a handful of shots towards SU sophomore goalkeeper Drew Staedeli in the first half.

In the second half, Catholic tested Staedeli right out of the gates when Cardinal midfielder Hunter Horbath fired a shot-on-goal from just outside the eighteen-yard box in the 53rd minute.

Both teams fired 30 shots all together, but with gusts up to 33 mph, the wind allowed only 13 of those shots on target.

"The unknown factor today was the wind and what impact the wind would have when you're playing into the wind or with it to your back," Salisbury University men's soccer Head Coach Gerry DiBartolo said.

DiBartolo said his preference for the Gulls was to play into the wind because the ball got away too easily with the wind at their backs.

"I thought we did a nice job managing both halves in terms of the effect the wind had on the game today," said DiBartolo.

For some time it looked as though the game would end in a 0-0 tie with both goalkeepers playing exceptionally well and blocking all shots on goal.

"I thought we did a nice job managing both halves in terms of the effect the wind had on the game today."

- Head Coach Gerry DiBartolo

But with just under six minutes left to play, Aryeetey received a through-ball inside the six-yard box and added his second goal of the season with ease.

"After that through-ball was played I figured it was already a goal," said Aryeetey. "I was just really concentrated on the celebration."

Just as he had guessed, the ball found its way to the back of the net, giving the Gulls a lead and giving the Ghana native a reason to celebrate. Aryeetey jogged a few yards to the right of the goal and began dancing. "It's something about Ghanaians; we have a lot of different celebrations," said Aryeetey. "Once the ball is in the net, you go right there and you give whatever you have on your mind."

The dance might remind fans of the "Icky Shuffle" which was performed by NFL Cincinnati Bengals running back Ickey Woods in the late 1980's whenever he would find his way into the end-zone. So perhaps SU fans and teammates alike can call Aryeetey's celebration the "Aryeetey Shuffle."

After the Gulls' goal the Cardinals were unable to strike back, giving Salisbury their sixth win of the season and giving goalkeeper Staedeli and the defense their fifth shutout of the season. Staedeli made four saves on the day adding to his season total of twenty one saves.

In their next game, the Gulls will host the Blue Jays (2-3-1) of John Hopkins University on Wednesday.



Sam Sapp Photo
Sophomore midfielder Kandace Racine and freshman forward Megan Jackson race to get the ball back from a Marlins player.

Women's soccer gets first draw against Virginia Wesleyan

"I go out there every day trying to do my best, and that's all you can do."
- Michelle Conrad, junior goalkeeper

BY AMY MCFARLAND
Sports Editor

The Salisbury University women's soccer team came out on Wednesday looking for a rebound from their loss at Messiah College, but the Sea Gulls were unable to find the back of the net against Virginia Wesleyan College.

While the Gulls (3-3-1) were scoreless for their second game in a row, this time they were able to fight back and keep their opponent at an equal score of zero, ending the game in double overtime at 0-0.

SU tried for an early advantage in the first 12 minutes of the game when sophomore forward Samantha Beck sent a corner kick to her offense, allowing teammate Tabitha Brown to settle the ball and strike it for a goal. As the Gulls cheered for a 1-0 lead, the referees waived the point off, calling a handball on Brown and leaving the score at 0-0.

Salisbury University women's soccer Head Coach Kwame Lloyd was not disheartened by the false lead.

"I'm proud of my kids for persevering and getting the ball in the back of the net," Lloyd said. "To make a shot, you've got to take a shot."

Salisbury would see less action through the remainder of the first half, controlling the ball but failing to put the extra push on offense that would result in points.

Brown said the Gulls had trouble netting a

goal because the team is still trying to find its way as a unit.

"We have three freshmen up sometimes, but they (the offense) have been working together and they are learning," Brown said.

Virginia Wesleyan would outshoot the Gulls 8-3 in the first half, but the Marlins were equally unsuccessful in points, leaving the score 0-0 at halftime.

SU's offense came out stronger in the second half, outnumbering the Marlins' shots 10-3. Freshman midfielder Jenny Gavigan sent another corner kick early into the half and the Gulls attempted to head the ball in, but could not find the back of the net.

While SU's offense tried and failed again for points, the defense tried to add on to their efforts. Junior goalkeeper Michelle Conrad took a free kick just before midfield and struck the ball right on goal, but Virginia Wesleyan's goalkeeper Megan Gerhart was there to stop it.

Conrad blocked the Marlins' closest chance at a point when Virginia Wesleyan's Jasmine Dao ripped a ball through the SU defense, intended for a teammate. Conrad was there to stop the threat, and contributed four additional saves to keep the Marlins scoreless for a 0-0 tie in regular play.

"I go out there every day trying to do my best, and that's all you can do," Conrad said. "Kudos to my defense today, they played fantastic and they're really starting to work well together."

As the defense prevailed against the Marlins, the offense continued to struggle in overtime. The Marlins also came up short and the game extended to double overtime.

Salisbury brought out a final run in double overtime, holding a 5-1 advantage in shots and keeping a steady defense to block a possible game-winning goal from the Marlins. In the last 89 seconds of double overtime freshman forward Marissa Walker took a shot that would be saved by Gerhart, followed by a shot by teammate Casey Arnone that flew too far left of the net.

After a full game and two overtimes, Salisbury sent the Marlins home scoreless, but came up short as well in a final score of 0-0.

Lloyd said while the Gulls are still dealing with lack of experience, he was proud of his team's efforts.

"I think today we played a team of a lot of history and success," Lloyd said. "Even in the final seconds we were right in front of the goal, we just couldn't find the back of the net."

Brown said the score didn't show the offensive talent and the learning that's been going on throughout the team.

"Even today we saw a lot of building on the team, and it's only getting better," Brown said.

The Gulls will travel to Stevenson University on Wednesday, and will return to Salisbury to host York College on Saturday for their first conference game.



Sam Sapp Photo
Freshman midfielder Erin McQuate puts pressure on the Marlins offense.



Jenna Brown photo
Salisbury native Bernard Jene said skating has taught him there is a life beyond Salisbury: "You can learn every single rule and technique in football but with skating there is always something new you can learn, or a cool way to learn something you already know. It's the same with the world around us," he said.

Skating to Success

BY FELIPE CREIGHTON-NUNEZ
Staff Writer

During several forums in 2007, the Wicomico County Parks and Tourism sought ideas from the community on recreational activities that they believed should be available to the area.

Requests for a skate park were frequent and eventually would become the catalyst for the start of a chain of events that would lead to a hard fought, five-year struggle between a committee made up of skateboarders and parents, and the Salisbury City Council.

The Salisbury Skatepark Committee received not only the approval of the Council in a close 3-2 decision earlier this year, but also a \$262,000 grant from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. The park is currently up for a grant through the Tony Hawk Foundation.

The Council's decision to permit the continuation of the project came down to a deciding vote by their newly elected President, Jake Day, who said he did so with much trepidation that left him with a feeling that he was "backed into a corner" due to several unanswered questions and grant stipulations.

While there are many unknowns and unforeseen obstacles that will surely cross this project's path, the members of the Skatepark Committee and their supporters are dedicated to the cause, and in addition to the grant money they will receive, are still steadily rising money via their own grassroots campaign. And it's not just the skateboarders and parents who want the skate park. Salisbury University students want it too.

"I think a skate park would be a great addition to Salisbury, both for keeping kids out of trouble and giving them a better place to skate than somewhere sketchy," junior Mattie Smith said.

A skate park would provide a much safer environment for kids to practice, especially considering the majority of skate spots in the immediate area are either illegal. The act of skateboarding is illegal within city limits, or located near dangerous areas (the train tracks near Rt. 13 for example).

Aside from safety concerns, SU students have cited other reasons why they believe the skate park would be a good addition to the community.

SU senior Teddy Cotterman noted that SU is a major haven for younger skateboarders, which can occasionally be aggravating to members within the campus community due to reckless behavior, and the ever present possibility of one of them slamming into the back of you while you are headed to class.

"With all the high school skate and longboarders that ride through our campus, I'm surprised they haven't put up a park sooner," Cotterman said. "You think the university faculty would get tired of trying, and failing, to tell these guys not to skate here or there."

Regardless of the hesitation and worry that the Council members have, one thing is for certain; if anyone can succeed in making this skate park a reality, it will be the dedicated members of the Skatepark Committee and their supporters that make it happen.



Jenna Brown photo
Salisbury natives Clint Corbin (left, bottom right) and Matthew McCauley (top right) can be frequently seen skateboarding around the city of Salisbury. The City Council recently granted approval for the construction of a skate park for Salisbury residents.



Field Hockey sweeps past Elizabethtown 5-1

BY STEPHEN CORBIN
Staff Writer

The Salisbury University field hockey team bounced back from its first loss of the season with another victory at home against Elizabethtown Saturday afternoon.

The No. 3 ranked Sea Gulls (5-1) won with a score of 5-1, achieving four of the goals in the second half and dominating Elizabethtown's defense. It was the Blue Jays who stood out in the first three minutes of the game, as Elizabethtown's Taylor Alwine placed the ball in the left side of the SU net for a 1-0 lead.

The Blue Jays enjoyed their advantage for only 10 minutes, as sophomore forward Courtney Jantzen was able to even the score for the SU, leaving a tie of 1-1 at half time.

"I need a goal from you in the first three minutes," Salisbury University field hockey Head Coach Dawn Chamberlain said to her team at half-time.

After losing their first game of the season and being shut out 1-0 at Catholic earlier in the week, the Gulls were in desperate need of strong offense if they were going to win the game.

In the beginning of the second half, junior forward Mallory Elliot did exactly what Chamberlain asked and scored in the second minute of the half, assisted by sophomore forward Samantha Johnson. Just 30 seconds later senior forward Emily Voshell scored no time in scoring another goal, assisted by Jessica Seay. With Salisbury up 3-1 in just three minutes into the second half, Mallory Elliot went on to score two goals halfway through the second half. Elliot made a hat trick on her second goal, with freshman forward Yumi Kim gathering an assist on her third goal.

The Blue Jays saw their shot attempts doubled by Salisbury in the second half 14-7 and were unable to keep up with the Gulls, sending their record to 5-1 for the season.

The SU defense showed strength by not allowing a goal in the second half and only allowing seven shots in each half. Junior goalkeeper Rachel Clewer and freshman goalkeeper Kate Russo added to the defensive effort, saving a total of seven shots, with Russo making a career high of three saves.

"This was a statement game for our team after last game," Chamberlain said. "My team did exactly what I asked for in the second half and then some, and it was important to bounce back after losing to Catholic."

Salisbury looks to pick up where they left off against John Hopkins University at Seagull Stadium Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Interview by photographer
Jenna Brown

Why do you guys skate?

Matthew McCauley- It's more like a hobby for me; it's fun.

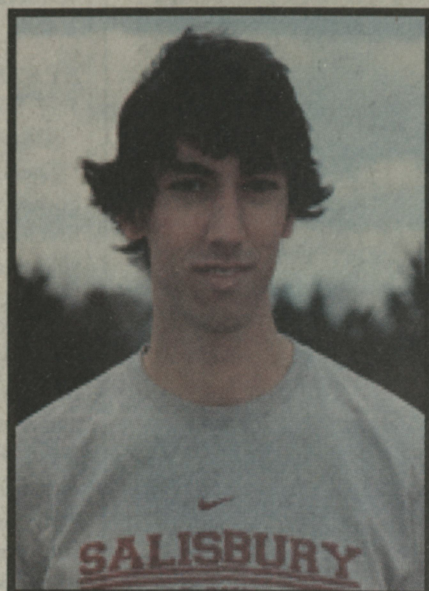
Clint Corbin- It's an awesome stress reliever; you can focus on just skating and forget about everything else for a while. It's my escape.

Logan Lovingood- there are always awesome people to skate with. It doesn't matter who they are, people who skate are so open to new people and are usually really cool.

Javon Euffy- skating for me is a way to get away from the negative environment that I live in. It's a way to get freedom from everything in Salisbury, especially drug use.

Bernard Jene- people who grew up in Salisbury think that this town is all there is in this world; this is it. But when I got into skating I saw a connection, there is so much to learn in skating. People don't realize there is an entire world outside of Salisbury, this doesn't have to be it for them.

Athlete Spotlight: Nathan Austin



SU Athletics Photo

BY DAVID CABRERA
Staff Writer

Name: Nathan Austin
Sport: Cross Country
Height: 6'2"
Year: Senior
Hometown: Rockville, Md.
Years running for Salisbury: Four
Most memorable moment/race that had an impact:
"The conference championship my freshman year which was held at our home 8k course at Winter Place Park. I wasn't a major contributor at the time, finishing 11th on our team and 24th overall in the race, but my lasting memory from that day was finding out after I crossed the finish line that our top four runners swept places 1-4 in the race. This led us to winning the team title with a dominating

performance that surpassed many people's expectations, all on our home course. Since then I have held expectations for myself and for the team very high as we go into big competitions."

Major: Psychology

Minor: Exercise Science

2012 CAC All-Academic Team

Favorite quote:

"Go big or go home."

Thoughts about Nathan from Coach Jim Jones:

"Nate is an extremely hard worker, intellectual, quiet, and thoughtful. He has had his ups and downs throughout his career dealing with injuries and the real key for him this season so far has been staying healthy. (He) is such a good example of if you stay with it and work hard, good things will happen."

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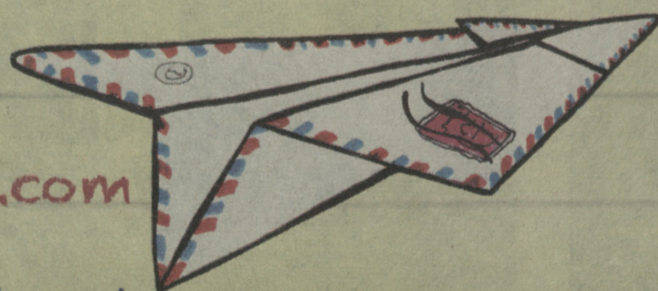
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